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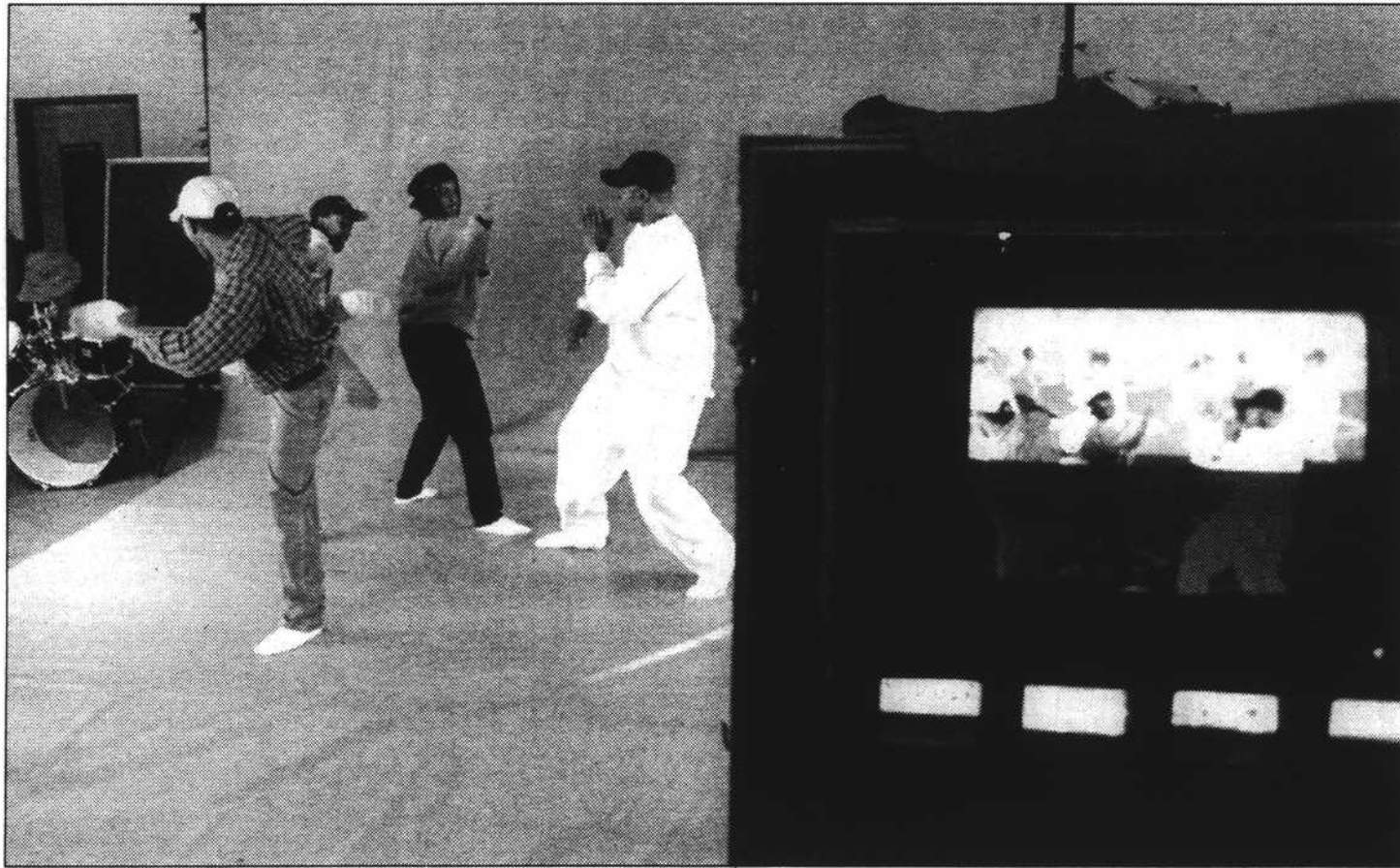
Today - 80% chance of rain. Southeast wind 10 to 15 mph.

Tonight - Rain changing to snow. Low in the mid 30s.



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Tanna Kinnaman/DN

University students show off their dancing skills while making an interactive video Tuesday in the Nebraska Union. From left are Ormaun Lewis, a senior marketing major; Mikai Lovelace, a freshman fashion merchandising major; Kadia Kamara, an undeclared freshman; and Latroy Davis, a freshman journalism major.

NU player Williams must stand trial

By Jeff Zeleny
Senior Reporter



Williams

Nebraska cornerback Tyrone Williams must stand trial on two felony weapons charges stemming from a 1994 incident, the state Court of Appeals ruled Tuesday.

Williams, who was charged in Lancaster County District Court for violating the state's drive-by shooting law and using a weapon to commit a felony, had maintained that both charges were unconstitutional. The appeals court declined to dismiss the charges before Williams' case went to trial.

The decision could be appealed to the state Supreme Court.

Appeals Court Judge John Irwin wrote in the 3-0 opinion that Williams acted prematurely in alleging that being sentenced on both charges would constitute double jeopardy.

"Before Williams can ever be punished for the two offenses, he will first have to be tried and found guilty of those offenses," Irwin said.

Police allege Williams, a senior from Palmetto, Fla., fired two or three rounds at a moving vehicle near the corner of 17th and L streets on Jan. 30, 1994. The car was occupied by a UNL student and New York Jets safety Kevin Porter.

Three days later, Williams pleaded not guilty to the felony charges. At the time, Nebraska coach Tom Osborne insisted the shooting was accidental. He said it was related to a fracas between football players and a group of local men at an east Lincoln motel.

Authorities disagreed.

For nearly a week, police searched for the .22-caliber revolver that Williams allegedly used in the shooting. It was later discovered that an assistant football coach was holding the gun in his office.

The Williams incident is the first in a string of violent episodes that allegedly involved Nebraska football players. Williams started throughout the national championship season last year and has started every game this season.

Williams said he has not focused on the case this year.

"I know it's there, but I haven't worried about it," he said. "I know I'll take care of it after the season."

The case has made little legal progress in 22 months.

Williams' attorneys in the Lancaster County Public Defender's office have filed numerous motions in the last two years, including the

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ASUN to protest proposed code changes

By Kasey Kerber
Staff Reporter

ASUN President Shawntell Hurtgen will present a bill at tonight's meeting protesting proposed changes to the Student Code of Conduct.

The proposed changes, made by the UNL Faculty Women's Caucus, would ban any student charged with or convicted of a felony or violent misdemeanor from participating in UNL-sponsored extracurricular activities.

They also would require the student judicial board to meet within five working days after the student is banned. The board then would judge whether the student committed misconduct.



If the board found the student not guilty of misconduct, the student could resume extracurricular activities. If the student were found guilty, the board would decide what penalties to impose.

If a student were convicted of a felony or violent misdemeanor in a court of law, he or she would be banned from extracurricular activities for seven years.

"Extracurricular activities are not the answer," Hurtgen said. "Over 50 percent of students are involved in intramural athletics alone. These activities are often a form of stress release and doing away with them will only cause more problems."

Hurtgen also will present a bill on advising.

The bill calls for three proposals to be presented to the Admission and Advising Committee before its Nov. 8 meeting, at which it will vote on advising changes.

The three proposals include developing a

mandatory advising training session for faculty or printing a biannual publication to keep faculty up to date on advising. The proposals also include documentation of all formal advising and creation of universal waiver and substitution forms between colleges.

The Association of Students of the University of Nebraska also will amend a bylaw that requires student organizations to attend an orientation program. The new amendment allows information to be provided to the organizations by the Student Involvement office instead.

A committee also will be formed to evaluate the results of a five-year projection report, a project that began in 1991 but no longer exists.

Committee members will evaluate the report from 1993-1994 to see how much has been accomplished since then. They may use their findings to implement future goals.

Services make finding scholarships easier

NAFA provides information on available funds

By Tonya Cross
Staff Reporter

The road to success can be difficult, but the road to finding scholarships doesn't have to be. More than 375,000 scholarships and grants are available to students. The money does not need to be paid back, and 80 percent of these scholarships don't depend on family need or grade point averages.

Steve Kowal, executive director of the National Academic Funding Administration, said the scholarships were based on heritage, hobbies, age, students' interests and parents' occupations.

"The bottom line is students may qualify

from 20 to 50 sources," Kowal said.

NAFA is a private organization that provides students with information for scholarships.

According to the National Commission on Student Financial Aid, more than \$6 billion in scholarship money goes uncollected each year because people do not apply for it.

Most students just don't know about the money, Kowal said. Limited funds make it difficult to reach all of the graduating students each year.

John Beacon, director of scholarships and financial aid, said there seemed to be confusion regarding scholarships and federal aid.

Federal aid comes in the form of grants, loans and work study programs, he said. University scholarships are awarded to students



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New Web site aids students' searches for source listings

By Kasey Kerber
Staff Reporter

Students now may search more than 180,000 sources for scholarships without writing a single letter, picking up the phone or even leaving the comfort of their homes.

All they need is access to a computer connected to the World Wide Web.

It's all done with fastWeb, a free computerized scholarship search service offered by the Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid and sponsored by Barnes and Noble Bookstores, Inc. and American Educational Services.

FastWeb has been available to students since August, but widespread interest in the service

has not surfaced until recently, when a letter was sent out to all student and faculty e-mail account holders.

"There's definitely been a response thanks to that mailing," said Geri Larsen, outreach specialist and scholarship director at the financial aid office.

FastWeb allows students to establish a mailbox on the system, where scholarship possibilities will be sent.

Before searching the database for scholarships, fastWeb requires each student to fill out basic information, such as name and student ID number, and more detailed information about future plans.

"The whole process should take less than an hour," Larsen said. "For those students who are at ease with computers, it might only take half an hour."

Students can access fastWeb by opening the World Wide Web browser and entering the address <http://www.unl.edu/scholfa/cover.html> and then selecting "scholarship search program."